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MEMORANDUM TO: Management Officer

SUBJECT: CIA representation on Non-IAC agency committees.

REFERENCE: Management's memo of 7 February 1950

1. OCAPS has been considering your suggestion on providing policy and procedural guidance for interdepartmental committees and conferences involving representatives of non-IAC agencies. Before long OCAPS hopes to review the necessity for CIA representation on all committees, ad hoc and otherwise, within and outside of the IAC agencies.

2. At present we see no need to issue a Policy Statement or Administrative Instruction confirming or changing the present general policy of "need-to-know" and the attendant Administrative Instruction 25X1A [redacted] on Operational Liaison.

3. When Economic Intelligence gets better organized, there may be some permanent committees with members from agencies outside the IAC; but at present we think each outside committee and participation of outsiders on CIA committees should be considered on its own merits and the need for CIA participation or outside participation determined on the basis of its value to CIA or conversely on value of CIA's contribution to outside U. S. Government activities.

4. We participate with the interested CIA office in determining this need and OAD and IAS play their respective parts.

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